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Dear Sir:

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	<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>Document</u>	<u>Mail Date</u>
1	11/406,203	Notice of Allowance	1/29/2008
2	10/908,721	Office Action	1/25/2008

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